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Dear Mr. Hitu,

I believe that the West German Embassy in Washington D.C. has on my request advised you already that STERN Magazine is opening finally an office in Washington. I will be bureau chief.

In the few weeks which I have spent on the desk in Hamburg since my last assignment in Africa I have come across several book manuscripts concerning the work of the CIA, written often by ex agents (like "A matter of risk", a new book published at Random House of which we were offered to publish). Instead we thought it a better idea to talk to you and do a story how all this has affected the agency. We have the feeling that the CIA has gone through a phase of change and is presenting a new and much better image than in the past. We think it could be of your interest as well to publicize a few of these ideas to the largest European news magazine.

As mentioned already by Mr. Paschke, Counselor for Press and Public Affairs of the German Embassy, we would need an interview with Mr. Stanley Turner. We know that the Admiral usually speaks only to American journalists but beg you to make an exception in this case. I will be in Washington to take up my new job on or about November 1st, 1978 and will take the liberty to phone you after my arrival.

Yours/Sincerely,

Peter Seidlitz

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